

Lean Six SigmaGreen Belt Project

Building Safety Inspections – Zoning Cases

Planning and Inspections Department

Goal 3: Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

3.1 Provide business-friendly permitting and inspection processes 3.2 Improve the visual impression of the community

Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management





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Land Use Violation (ZN-LU)



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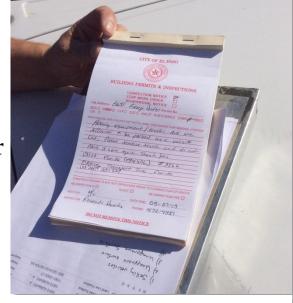
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- Goals

- Shorten number of days to conduct initial inspection (response times)
- Reduce amount of time to process and successfully complete building safety inspection cases
- Improve prompt compliance rates under 30 days

- Benefits

- Improve service to the public
- More time to conduct additional inspections and process more cases (improved capacity)



Correction Notice

- Reduction in costs
- Can be replicated to other 2 areas of the Building Safety Section
- Support Strategic Goal #3 Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

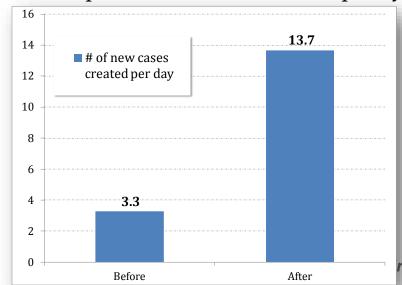


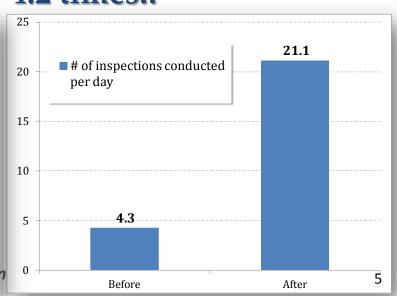
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Results at a glance

How did we do?

- Reduced response times from an average of **4.97 days to 1.73 days** (65% reduction)
- Reduced case processing times from an average of <u>16.6 days to 14.3</u> days (13.9% improvement)
- Increased compliance rates from 29.7% to 41.7%
- Improved case workload capacity **4.2 times!!**







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Cost Savings

Improved workload capacity 4.2 times means...

Now we have the capacity to process 2,664 cases per year up from 639 cases



cost per case in staff time,
76% improvement

\$148 reduction in



Estimated annual savings of

\$394,214!!!